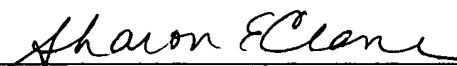


The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, in order to expedite prosecution of this application.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2518.

Respectfully submitted,
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